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ICFL Board Reviews Digital Repository Exemptions

It's hard to believe, but it's been nearly a year since the new Idaho code 33-2505 became law and The Commission for Libraries created rules relating to that statute.

At their most recent meeting on June 12, 2009, the Board of Commissioners, as required by law, reviewed the status of the rule concerning exemptions to the code section. Up to this point the Commissioners exempted five types of government agency public information from the requirement to submit to the Digital Repository. Dynamic and interactive websites, audio and video programs, and copyrighted publications with no provision for access in a public archive were considered excluded categories of publications.

Two of those categories, specifically audio and video programs, were exempted due to ICFL's technological inability to effectively capture those materials. We are now able to capture, preserve, and make available those audio and video programs. During their review, the Board voted to alter the exemptions to remove both audio and video programs.

IDAPA Code

The Commission's rules (IDAPA 30.01.01.040) state: **04.** Request for Exemption by State Librarian. The State Librarian may request the exemption of a specific publication or a class of publications based on the ability of the Commission to capture or process said materials. **06.** Board Action on Exemption Requests. The Board shall grant or deny exemption requests, determine an expiration date, and provide written notification of its decision to the publishing state agency within thirty (30) days of its decision. **07.** Annual Report. The State Librarian shall submit an annual report of all exemptions to the Board. **08.** Review of Exemptions. Exemptions shall be reviewed by the Board at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration date. State agencies shall be notified by the Commission of any change in exemption status within thirty (30) days of Board action.

More information? Try here!

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